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Bonnie Henry’s Ex-Mouthpiece Now BC Pharma Lobbyist For Emergent BioSolutions (Which Makes AZ)

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One would think that leaving the Ministry of Health, join a lobbying firm, and then lobby said Ministry would be a serious problem. However, that appears to be what has happened in B.C.

A disclaimer: the connection between Jean-Marc Prevost, Bonnie Henry, and Counsel Public Affairs was reported on by The Breaker. Go check out that article as well. While there is

considerable overlap, this will not be a complete rehash, and will focus more on the source material involved. The Breaker also covered the hiring of a spin-doctor for Henry.

Registration - Consultant Lobbyist
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Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.) / Jean-Marc Prevost, Consultant Lobbyist
Registration Information
Client name: Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)
Lobbyist name: Jean-Marc Prevost, Consultant Lobbyist
Initial registration start date: 2021-05-10
Registration status: Active
Projected end date: 2021-12-31
Registration number: 7921-4186
Associated Lobbying Activity Rep
Total number of Lobbying Activity Report
Lobbying Activity Reports - last 6 months

Version 1 of 1 (2021-05-10 to present)
Lobbying Information
Client Details
Lobbyist Details
Jean-Marc Prevost | Has not held any "former public office holder" positions in BC, as defined in the Lobbyists Transpar
Business address:
95 St. Clair Avenue West
Suite 1606
Toronto, ON M4V 1N6
Canada
Telephone number: 416-920-0716
Relevant Codes of Conduct
The consultant lobbyist does not have in place an undertaking to comply with any relevant codes of conduct.
Political, Sponsorship and Recall Contributions
Consultant has lobbied, or plans to lobby a member of the Legislative Assembly, including a Minister or Premier, on behalf of this client, on or after 2020-09-21:
Yes

On May 10, 2021, Prevost became a registered lobbyist in B.C. on behalf of Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.) He's working for the firm Counsel Public Affairs, and is now planning to lobby the B.C. Government on behalf of AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson, which are mass producing vaccines to sell across the globe.

- British Columbia Real Estate Association
- Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc.
- Encorp Pacific (Canada)

- Hello Fresh Canada Inc.
- Insurance Council of British Columbia
- North York Rehabilitation Centre Corp.
- Toyota Canada Inc.

In the last week, Prevost has officially become registered as a lobbyist for 7 companies. He will be quite busy as a paid mouthpiece for the foreseeable future.

> Prior to joining Counsel, ***Jean-Marc led B.C. Health's communications team***. From the first confirmed COVID-19 case to the first vaccine shot, he ***supported Health Minister Adrian Dix and Provincial Health Officer Dr. Bonnie Henry on their globally-recognized pandemic response. Dr. Henry acknowledged his contributions and "powerful ways with words,"*** in her book, Be Kind, Be Calm, Be Safe.
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> Jean-Marc held communications positions in ***economic, energy and justice ministries in the Government of Alberta under Premier Rachel Notley***, including leading multi-department implementation of a province-wide coal phase-out. He also worked with economic development leaders to plan digital arts, health innovation, venture capital and market diversification initiatives for small and medium-sized businesses.
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> He held central roles in the ***Manitoba government under Premiers Gary Doer and Greg Selinger*** – including leading communications for two record floods and for ***Canada's delegation to the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.***
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> Jean-Marc has also travelled to many First Nations across the prairies, working with Indigenous organizations to develop public and private partnerships that support indigenous environmental, education, training, employment and housing initiatives.
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> Jean-Marc started his career as a ***journalist with CTV Winnipeg***.

Prevost has spent considerable time with BCPHO Bonnie Henry, and B.C. Health Minister Adrian Dix. In fact, it was so much time that Bonnie acknowledged him in her book (which was written while working for the public). Additionally, he has worked in Government both in Alberta and Manitoba. Also, his time with the Bell-owned CTV gives him considerable clout into the Canadian media landscape.

Will any of this matter? In the media, probably not. After all, Bonnie Henry repeatedly makes comments about there being no real science behind the health measures she imposes. She never gets called out on any of it though. This will probably be more of the same.

The plot thickens. Another prominent lobbyist for Emergent BioSolutions is Brad Lavigne, a long time political operative, both in B.C., and Federally. Some information on him:

Registration - Consultant Lobbyist

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Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.) / Bradley Lavigne, Consultant Lobbyist

Registration Information

Client name: **Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)**
Lobbyist name: **Bradley Lavigne, Consultant Lobbyist**
Initial registration start date: **2018-11-30**
Registration status: **Active**
Projected end date: **2021-12-31**
Registration number: **1688-1334**

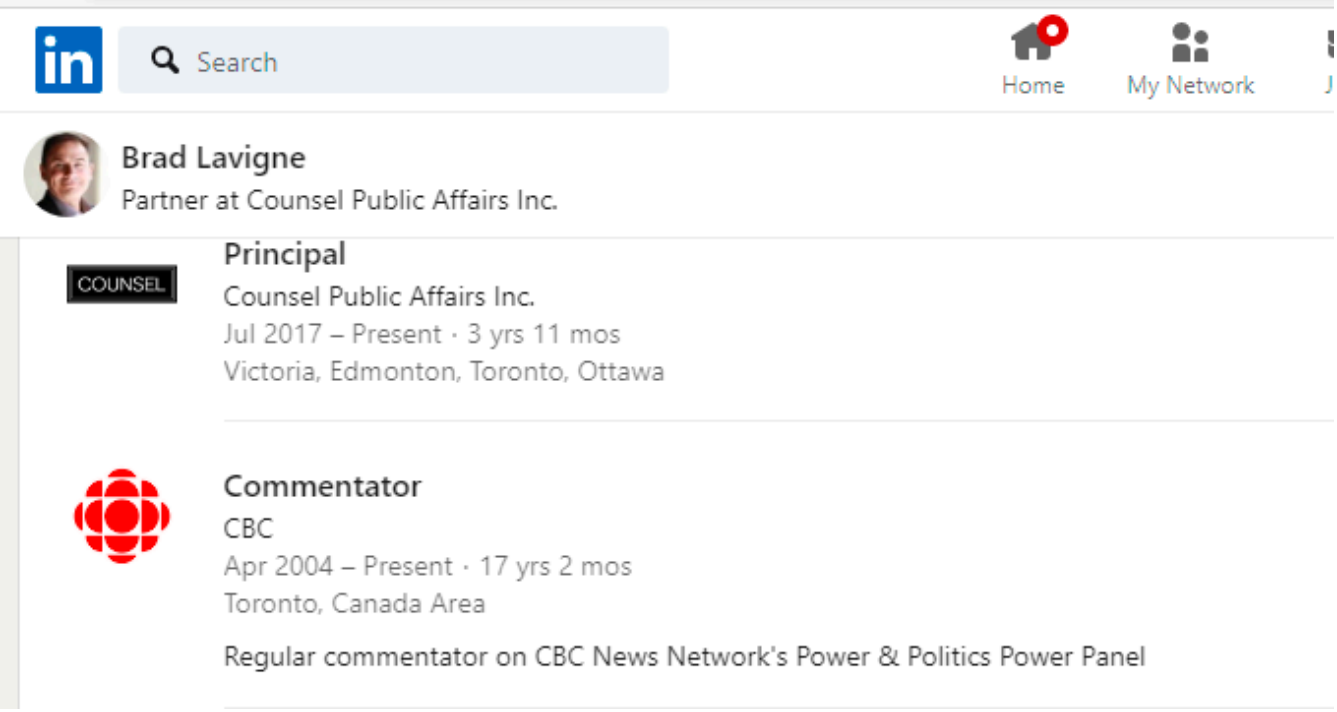
Associated Lobbying Activity Reports

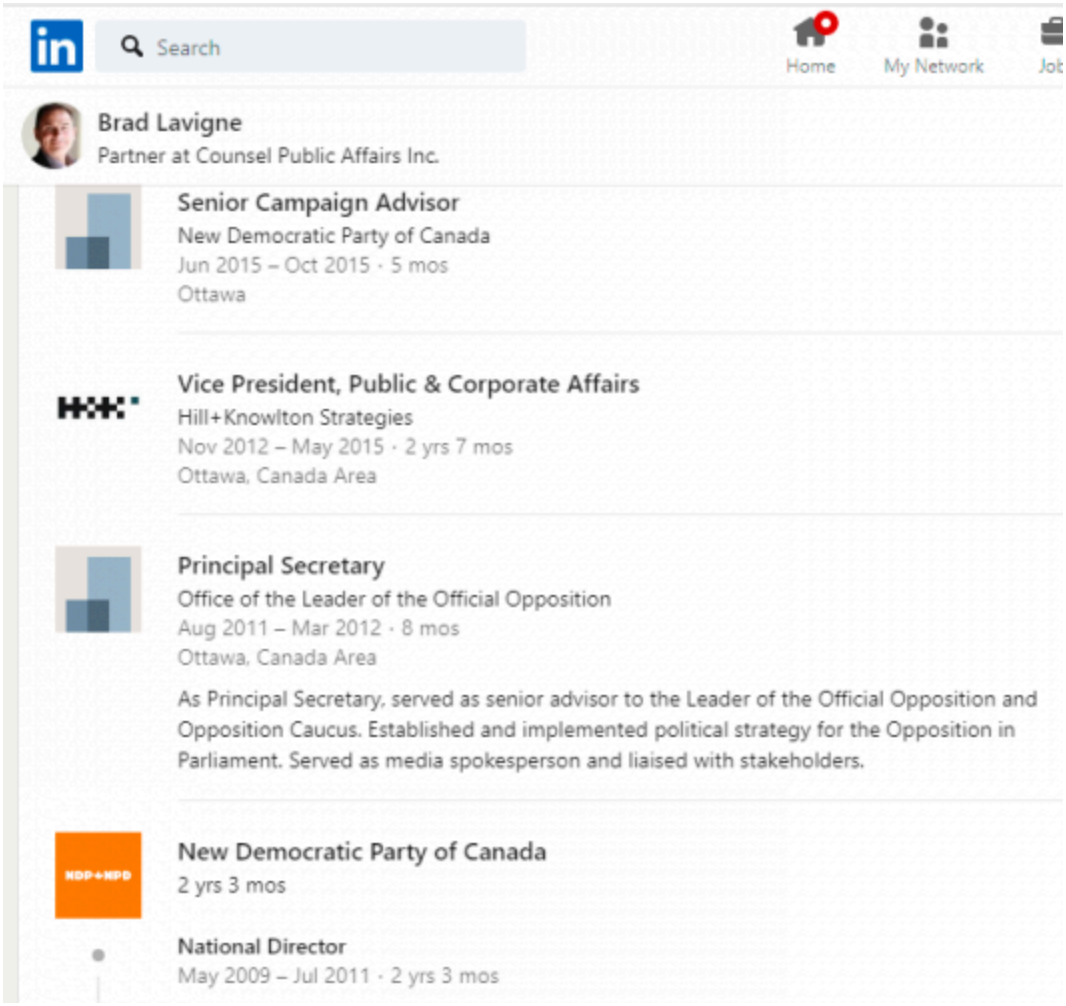
Total number of Lobbying Activity Reports: 7
Lobbying Activity Reports - last 6 months: 7

Former Public Office Holder in BC: Bradley Lavigne

List of Former Public Offices Held in BC

Position	Period Held
Chief of Staff to Minister of Finance Ministry of Finance	March 2000 to December 2000
Ministerial Assistant to Minister of Advanced Education Ministry of Advanced Education	October 1999 to February 2000
Policy Advisor Office of the Premier ,Youth Office	September 1998 to September 1999

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Brad Lavigne
Partner at Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Senior Campaign Advisor
New Democratic Party of Canada
Jun 2015 – Oct 2015 · 5 mos
Ottawa
Vice President, Public & Corporate Affairs
Hill+Knowlton Strategies
Nov 2012 – May 2015 · 2 yrs 7 mos
Ottawa, Canada Area
Principal Secretary
Office of the Leader of the Official Opposition
Aug 2011 – Mar 2012 · 8 mos
Ottawa, Canada Area
As Principal Secretary, served as senior advisor to the Leader of the Official Opposition and Opposition Caucus. Established and implemented political strategy for the Opposition in Parliament. Served as media spokesperson and liaised with stakeholders.
New Democratic Party of Canada
2 yrs 3 mos
National Director
May 2009 – Jul 2011 · 2 yrs 3 mos

Prior to Prevost taking charge, Emergent BioSolutions was represented by Brad Lavigne, a longtime NDP political operative. He has also been a regular on CBC for some 17 years, which makes him just another political mouthpiece.

In March, despite various new restictions in the Province of B.C., wineries were still allowed to remain open for tasting. That seemed to be an odd exemption, as this isn't exactly "essential". Of course, things start to make sense once it's mentioned that Bonnie Henry co-owns a winery in Keremeos. Can't let a public health crisis get in the way of business.

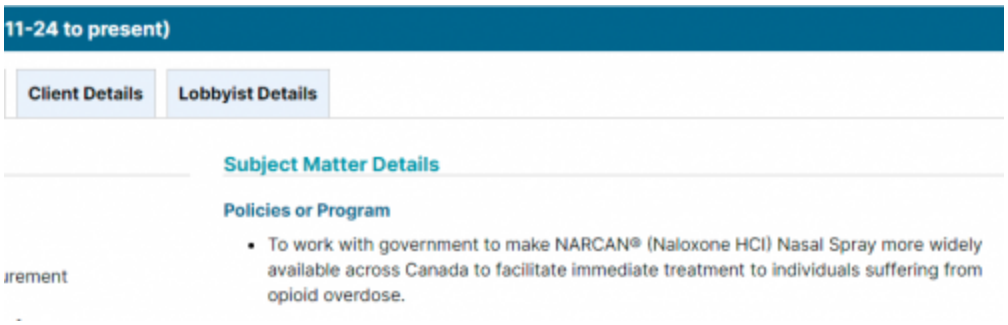
In April, Health Canada announced that Emergent BioSolutions manufacturing facility in Baltimore, Maryland has been flagged by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration for serious quality issues, but claimed that there was nothing for Canadians to worry about.

Of course, the pharma lobbying is not restricted to B.C. It goes on elsewhere as well.

Jessica Georgakopoulos	05/05/2021	GlaxoSmithKline Inc.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Caroline Pinto	05/04/2021	GlaxoSmithKline Inc.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

Rob Gilmour	04/26/2021	Air Canada Pilots Association	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Caroline Pinto	04/26/2021	Air Canada Pilots Association	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Philip Dewan	04/25/2021	Medical Pharmacies Group Limited	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Jessica Georgakopoulos	04/25/2021	Ontario Good Roads Association	Counsel Public Affairs
Rob Gilmour	04/25/2021	Ontario Good Roads Association	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Jaskiran Shoker	04/25/2021	Ontario Good Roads Association	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Philip Dewan	04/25/2021	Isologic Innovative Radiopharmaceuticals Ltd.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Devan Sommerville	04/25/2021	Isologic Innovative Radiopharmaceuticals Ltd.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Caroline Pinto	04/25/2021	Isologic Innovative Radiopharmaceuticals Ltd.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Caroline Pinto	04/25/2021	Medical Pharmacies Group Limited	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Philip Dewan	04/21/2021	Toyota Canada Inc.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Caroline Pinto	04/21/2021	Toyota Canada Inc.	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Rob Gilmour	04/22/2021	Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.
Bob Lopinski	04/21/2021	Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.)	Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

As an aside, Counsel Public Affairs operates throughout Canada, and most of its staff are based in Ontario. They are lobbying the Ford Government on behalf of several pharmaceutical companies, including GSK (GlaxoSmithKline) and Emergent Biosolutions. No wonder he and Christine Elliott are so vaxx happy. In fact, the Counsel Public Affairs firm seems to have connections throughout Ontario politics, and it spans different parties.


11-24 to present)
Client Details
Lobbyist Details
Subject Matter Details
Policies or Program
To work with government to make NARCAN® (Naloxone HCl) Nasal Spray more widely available across Canada to facilitate immediate treatment to individuals suffering from opioid overdose.

Nose spray anyone? Counsel Public Affairs is also trying to get a nasal spray sold in Canada on behalf of their client as well.

Of course, this isn't everything that is going on. However, it's another example of politicians and lobbyists being too close for it to be in the public interest. Anyhow, after reading this, go check the work from The Breaker.

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(4) https://counselpa.com/team/brad-lavigne/
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